New Trains introduced:

Sl.No.	Train No.	From	To	Type	Frequency	Date
1.	2135/2136	Pune	Nagpur	Garib Rath	Tri-weekly	19.01.2009
2.	4259/4260	Varanasi	Rameshwaram	Express	Weekly	Upto Chennai from 8.2.09
3.	2849/2850	Bilaspur	Pune	Express	Weekly	3.7.08
4.	2119/2120	Amravati	Nagpur	Express	5 days	8.9.08

Following trains have also been announced in Railway Budget 2008-09 (To commence shortly):

Sl.No.	Train No.	From	To	Type	Frequency
1.	2879/2880	Bhubaneshwar	Lokmanya Tilak (T)	Express	Bi-weekly
2.	2389/2390	Gaya	Chennai	Express	weekly

Extension:

Sl.No	Train No.	From	To	Type	Upto	Date of extension
1.	2855/2856	Nagpur	Raipur	Express	Bilaspur	1.7.2008
2.	2409/2410	Nizamuddin	Bilaspur	Gondwana Express	Raigarh	25.2.2008
3.	2139/2140	Nagpur	Dadar (T)	Sewagram Express	Mumbai CST	14.12.08

Frequency:

Sl.No.	Train No.	From	To	Type	From	To	Date of increasing
1	2151/2152	Lokmanya Tilak (T)	Howrah	Samrasta Express	1	2	29.1.2009

Increase in diseases

†705.SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a sharp rise in the serious diseases like cancer, diabetes and heart disease etc. in the country during the last three years; and

(b) if so, the details of patients for the last three years, disease-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI) : (a) and (b) Health being a state subject, such information/data is not

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

centrally maintained. The data available from National Cancer Registry Programme of ICMR does indicate rise in the cancer cases in India. There are about nine lakh new Cancer patients occurring every year in the country. The diabetes and heart diseases are also increasing in the country.

Drip and sprinkler irrigation

706. SHRI R.C. SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that drip and sprinkler irrigation is rapidly gaining ground in country;

(b) the number of hectares, district-wise, covered under drip irrigation in the State of West Bengal; and

(c) the details of Central subsidy provided to farmers who are doing drip irrigation in the State of West Bengal in the last three years; year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The district wise area covered under drip irrigation in the State of West Bengal is as under:

Sl.No.	District	Area covered under drip (ha)
1.	Burdwan	21
2.	Malda	12
3.	Paschim Midnapore	22
4.	South 24 Parganas	0.6
	TOTAL :	55.60

(c) The Central subsidy of Rs.195.67 lakh was released to eighteen districts of West Bengal during 2006-07 under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation. Since, the subsidy released to the State was not utilized fully, further release of funds could not be made. The district wise details of central subsidy provided is given in the Statement.

Statement

Details of district-wise release of funds during 2006-07

Sl.No.	Name of the District	Funds released (Rs. in lakh)
1	2	3
1.	Bankura	13.37
2.	Burdwan	8.63
3.	Birbhum	8.50
4.	Cooch Behar	7.74
5.	Dakshin Dinajpur	6.38